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In re Application of:)
Guy L. STEELE, JR.) Group Art Unit: 2121
Application No.: 10/035,747) Examiner: Unassigned
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For: FLOATING POINT SYSTEM THAT)
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the examination of the above application, please amend this application
as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please add the following new sentence as the first paragraph following the title of
the invention:

-- Applicant claims the right of priority based on U.S. Provisional Patent
Application No. 60/293,173 filed May 25, 2001 in the name of Guy L. Steele, Jr.--

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REMARKS

By this preliminary amendment to the specification, Applicant claims the right of
priority based on U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/293,173 filed May 25, 2001